

April 4, 2014

Thursday April 24, 2014, is national "Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work" Day. This year's theme is "Plant a Seed, Grow a Future." The program was founded to create an opportunity for girls and boys to share and communicate their aspirations for the future.

While NOAA will not have an organized program this year as we have in years past, parents/adult sponsors are encouraged to have their kids shadow them throughout the day. Shadowing will expose them to what adults in their lives do during the work day, show them the value of their education, and give them an opportunity to share how they envision their future. I encourage you to take the opportunity to tour the Gateway to NOAA Exhibit, which features interactive displays, engaging exhibits, and artifacts from NOAA's 200-year history.

Thank you to the volunteers across NOAA's Line and Staff Offices who have hosted an engaging program that focused on NOAA's mission and our future workforce in the past. I look forward to the return of an organized program along these lines next year.

For a list of other events available to you, please visit the National Take our Daughters and Sons to Work website at http://www.daughtersandsonstowork.org

Sincerely, Vice Admiral Michael S. Devany Deputy Under Secretary for Operations